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METAL MATERIAL HAVING FORMED THEREON CHROMIUM OXIDE, PASSIVE FILM AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND PARTS CONTACTING WITH FLUID AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPLYING FLUID AND EXHAUSTING GAS

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 7, 2007

Sir:

This is a "Request for Continued Examination" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, the provisions of which do not apply to:

- (1) A provisional application; (2) An application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) before June 8, 1995; (3) An international application filed under 35 U.S.C. §363 before June 8, 1995; (4) An application for a design patent; or (5) A patent under reexamination.
- This Request for Continued Examination is being filed prior to the earliest of:
  - (1) Payment of the issue fee, unless a petition under \$1.313 is granted; (2) Abandonment of the application; or (3) The filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of civil action under 35 U.S.C. §§ 145 or 146, unless the appeal or civil action is terminated.
- The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

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## 冈 Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Enter as part of the present submission: An After Final Amendment previously filed on 7, 2007, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 but March unentered, in the present application. Arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on A Reply, attached hereto. Claim fee(s) calculated as set forth below: TOTAL TOTAL NUMBER OF NUMBER OF NUMBER CLAIMS RATE FEE CLAIMS **EXTRA** PREVIOUSLY BEING FILED HEREWITH FILED x\$50 =\$0.00 Total Claims Independent x\$200 =\$0.00 Claims TOTAL CLAIM FEE(S) \$0.00 An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) PTO-1449 form(s) is/are attached hereto for Examiner's consideration. Other: $\boxtimes$ Fees

The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed, is enclosed herewith:

\$395.00 - small entity

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of () month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). The fee has been calculated as shown below:

NO extensions of time have been previously obtained in the prior application. Thus, a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

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- Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$790.00 for the applicable filing fee, additional claims fee, and/or extension fees.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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